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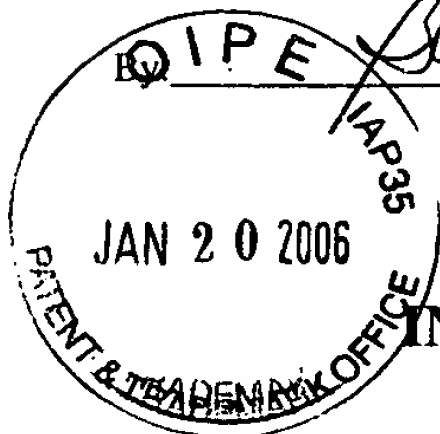
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TO IDENTIFY AGENTS THAT  
SELECTIVELY INHIBIT HEPATITIS C  
VIRUS REPLICATION

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 5359

Examiner: Vogel, Nancy T.

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1636

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF  
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In response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.